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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMITMENTS AND POLICIES AGREED UPON IN THE DECLARATION ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION, IN PARTICULAR THE REVITALIZATION OF THE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE FOURTH UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT DECADE

Report of the Second Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 24 September 1993, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its forty-eighth session the item entitled:

"International cooperation for economic growth and development:

"(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries;

"(b) Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 21st, 22nd, 26th and 45th meetings, on 2, 3 and 9 November and 6 December 1993. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records

(A/C.2/48/SR.21, 22, 26 and 45). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 8th meetings, on 8 and 11 to 13 October (see A/C.2/48/SR.3-8).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Second Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Letter dated 25 February 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Equatorial Guinea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/48/94);

(b) Letter dated 28 May 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the press communiqué issued by the Standing Ministerial Committee for Economic Cooperation of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries at its meeting held at Bali, Indonesia, from 10 to 13 May 1993 (A/48/182);

(c) Letter dated 16 July 1993 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Final Statement of the eleventh session of the InterAction Council (A/48/272-S/26108);

(d) Letter dated 4 August 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the final document of the third Ibero-American Summit of Heads of State and Government (A/48/291);

(e) Letter dated 9 August 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General transmitting the Final Document of the Standing Ministerial Committee for Economic Cooperation of the Non-Aligned Movement, held at Bali from 10 to 13 May 1993 (A/48/338);

(f) Letter dated 11 August 1993 from the Permanent Representative of the Bahamas to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué of the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community (A/48/309);

(g) Letter dated 24 August 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the final document of the Japan Economic Summit, held in Tokyo from 7 to 9 July 1993 (A/48/353);

(h) Letter dated 30 August 1993 from the Permanent Representative of the Marshall Islands to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué of the Twenty-Fourth South Pacific Forum, held at Nauru on 10 and 11 August 1993 (A/48/359);

(i) Letter dated 9 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Grenada to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué issued by the nineteenth meeting of the Standing Committee of the Ministers responsible for Foreign Affairs of the Caribbean Community (A/48/401);

(j) Note verbale dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/48/445);

(k) Letter dated 6 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué of the Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries to the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly (A/48/484);

(l) Letter dated 6 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the declaration of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 adopted at the seventeenth annual meeting (A/48/485);

(m) Letter dated 8 November 1993 from the Permanent Representative of the Dominican Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the conclusions, decisions and declarations adopted by the Latin American Council of the Latin American Economic System at its nineteenth ordinary ministerial meeting (A/48/597);

(n) Letter dated 15 October 1993 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the declaration of the Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries, held in New York on 30 September 1993 (A/C.2/48/4);

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on regional economic integration among developing countries (A/48/505);

(b) Letter dated 28 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué adopted at the Meeting of the Heads of Government of the Countries of the Commonwealth, held at Limassol, Cyprus, from 21 to 25 October 1993 (A/48/564).

4. At the 21st meeting, on 2 November, the Director of the Regional Commissions New York Office made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/48/SR.21).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.2/48/L.10

5. At the 26th meeting, on 9 November, the representative of Colombia, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are also members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries and implementation of the International

Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade" (A/C.2/48/L.10).

6. At the 45th meeting, on 6 December, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Ryszard Rysinski (Poland), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the draft resolution and orally revised it as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 2, the words "critical need for the full implementation of" were replaced by the words "need for the full and timely implementation of";

(b) In operative paragraph 5, the words "constraints towards the implementation of the commitments and measures" were replaced by the words "difficulties in implementing the commitments and measures by Member States".

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/48/L.10, as orally revised, without a vote (see para. 8).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

8. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, contained in the annex to its resolution S-18/3 of 1 May 1990, and the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to its resolution 45/199 of 21 December 1990, which provide the overall framework for economic growth and development,

Recalling its resolutions 46/144 of 17 December 1991 and 47/152 of 18 December 1992 on the implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation and the International Development Strategy,

1. Takes note of the report submitted by the Secretary-General on the Declaration on International Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries; 1/

2. Stresses the need for the full and timely implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration and in the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade;

3. Encourages Member States that have not yet submitted their reports on the implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration and in the International Development Strategy to do so;

4. Decides, in order to monitor the progress made in the implementation of the Declaration and the International Development Strategy and to facilitate the deliberation of the report of the Secretary-General on the subject, as requested in its resolution 47/152, to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-ninth session the item entitled "International cooperation for economic growth and development: (a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries; (b) Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade";

5. Requests the Secretary-General to include in his analytical and comprehensive report on the implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration and in the International Development Strategy difficulties in implementing the commitments and measures by Member States that have to be taken for the expeditious and full implementation of the agreements contained therein.

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